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(C) PolEcon Off delivered reftel points to Signe Jansone, MFA A/S-level official responsible for the Middle East, on January 12. Jansone stated that the French Presidency had placed a high priority on the EU-Syria Association Agreement, but with their term over, she was not sure that the item would even make the agenda for the January 26-27 GAERC. said the MFA would review USG concerns on Syria, particularly related to Lebanon and IAEA compliance, but could not provide Latvia's position regarding the agreement at this time. LARSON